

DIME Dynamic Documentation

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- ▶ Open source and standard across any version/editor of LaTeX, ShareLaTeX, etc. (not the same with Word i.e. formatting gets messed up between different version of Word).

And....

- ▶ Documents can have comments as well. So you can write notes to yourself, future ideas which only you can read!

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How does L^AT_EX work ?

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required by iebaltab  
\usepackage{setspace}        % Making table of contents/figures/tables clickable, so you get to exactly that  
\usepackage{hyperref}        section.  
\usepackage{float}           % This package allows us  
  
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- ▶ Template 3 displays some more advanced options and features of \LaTeX .

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\usepackage{graphicx}  
\usepackage{subcaption}  
  
% Formatting packages  
\doublespacing % Uncomment to use double spacing  
\usepackage{indentfirst} % Indents the first paragraph of each section  
\usepackage{parskip} % This packages sets the spacing between two paragraphs  
\setlength{\parskip}{.5\baselineskip} % Define spacing between two paragraphs  
  
% ADD YOUR PROJECT INFO HERE  
\title{Project ABC \\ Subtitle XYZ} %Double backslash starts a new line in \LaTeX  
\author{Your Name}  
\date{\today}  
%date{} % Uncomment this to not print date or insert specific date  
  
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Headers

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<code>\maketitle</code>	Print the document's title, authors and date in the first page.
<code>\tableofcontents</code>	Prints a summary with all the sections and subsections.
<code>\newpage</code>	Insert a page break.
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Creating Sections

```
\begin{document}  
  
\maketitle  
\tableofcontents  
  
\newpage  
\section{This is the first section}  
  \subsection{This is the first subsection of the first section}  
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\end{document}
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Writing in your document

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\section{Information on what you're doing}
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\textbf{This is a bold text.} \newline \textit{This is an italicised text.} \\ \underline{This is an underlined text.}
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%\newline starts a new line. \\ does the same.
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%This is a comment. I can write anything here and nobody will be able to see it except me.
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- ▶ If `\caption` comes before the table itself, the title is above it. If it comes after, the title is printed below the table.

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If you want to learn more

<https://en.wikibooks.org/wiki/LaTeX>